THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KABINDRA PURKAYASTHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) MTNL Delhi has drawn up its expansion and modernisation programme for 9th Five Year Plan (1997—2002). Salient features are indicated below:

(i) The target is for 14.57 lakh additional lines during 9th Five Year Plan subject to availability of equipment.

(ii) All the Electro-mechanical exchanges (110 K) and Analogue Electronic exchanges (158 K) are being replaced by Digital Exchanges.

(iii) New Technology systems like WLL, OFC in local loop, Cor-Dect, KDSL are being introduced in Delhi Telephones network to give better quality of service to the subscribers including Computerisation of Trunks, Directory Enquiry, FRS etc.

(iv) Modernisation of Inter-exchange Transmission Network on SDH systems.

(d) and (e) The total amount earmarked for the purpose during 9th Five Year Plan period is as follows:—

(i) Local switching = Rs. 2705 crores

(ii) Scrapping of Electro-mechanical & analogue Electronic exchanges = Rs. 139 crores

(iii) New services & Network = Rs. 470 crores

(iv) Modernisation of Inter-exchange junctions network = Rs. 743 crores

TOTAL : Rs. 4057 crores.

Cellular Servicing Companies

3704 SHRI S.M. KRISHNA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether ESSAR Telecom. is the biggest cellular servicing company in the country, if so, the names of the States where the company is providing its services;

(b) whether the company has fulfilled all terms and conditions of the licence so granted to it, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the extent to which the company has provided services to the country; and

(d) the details of other companies whom licence for cellular service has been granted and also those cases pending for grant of licence?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KABINDRA PURKAYASTHA): (a) No Sir, ESSAR Telecom is not a licensee company for Cellular Mobile Telephone Service (CMTS). The company is not providing cellular mobile telephone service in any state of the country.

(b) and (c) Does not arise in view of (a).

(d) The details of companies to whom Licencses have been granted for Cullular Mobile Telephone service in metro cities as well as Telecom Circles are in the given statement. (*see* below). There is no case pending for grant of licence.

Statement

List of Cellular Operations in Metro Cities/Circles

S.No.	Name and address of the Company	Service Area
(A)	*Metro Cities*	
1.	M/s Bharti Cellular Ltd., D-184, Okhla Industrial Area, Phase-I, New Delhi-110020.	Delhi
2.	M/s Sterling Cellular Ltd., Sujt No. 318, Hotel Samrat, Chanakaya Puri, New Delhi, - 110021.	Delhi
3.	M/s BPL Systems and Projects Ltd., ACADIA 10th Floor, 195, Nariman Point, Bombay-400021.	Bombay
4.	M/s Hutchison Max Telecom Ltd., 13th Floor, Devika Tower, 6, Nehru Place, New Delhi-110019.	Bombay
5.	M/s Modi Telstre Pvt. Ltd., 3rd Floor, White House, 118, Park Street, Calcutta-700016	Calcutta
6.	M/s Usha Martin Telecom Ltd., 11, U.N. Brahmachari Strect, Calcutta-600002	Calcutta
7.	M/s RPG Cellular Services Ltd., 5th Floor, Spencer Plaza, 769-Anna Salai, Madras-600002	Madras
8.	M/s Skycell Communications Pvt. Ltd., Tarapore Towers, 826-827, Anna Salai, Madras-600002	Madras
(B)	*Territorial Telecom Circles:*	
9.	M/s Aircell Digilink India Ltd., 19, Cathedral Garden Road, Madras-600034	Haryana Rajasthan UP (East)
10.	M/s FASCEL Ltd., 8, Commercial Complex, Masjid Moth Greater Kailash-II, New Delhi-110048	Gujarat
11.	M/s Hexacom India Ltd., C-138, Naraina Industrial Area, Phase-I, New Delhi-110023	North East Rajasthan

S.No.	Name and address of the Company	Service Area
12.	M/s JT Mobiles Limited, 777 G, 100 Feet Road, Indranagar, HAL 2nd Stage, Bangalore: 560008	Andhra Pradesh Punjab Karnataka
13.	M/s Koshika Telecom Pvt. Ltd., Usha House, B-12/100, MCIE Shershan Suri Marg, New Delhi - 110044	U.P. (EAST) U.P. (WEST) Orisssa Bihar
14.	M/s Tata Communications Pvt. Ltd., Jeevan Bharti, Tower-1, 10th Floor, Connaught Circus, New Delhi - 110001	Andhra Pradesh
15.	M/s Escotel Mobil Communications (P) Ltd., A-36, MCIE, Delhi-Mathura Road Badarpur, New Delhi - 110044	UP (WEST) Haryana Kerala
16.	M/s U S West BPL Cellular Telecom Services Pvt. Ltd., 1/1, Palace Road, Ist Floor, Bangalore-560001	Tamil Nadu Kerala Maharashtra
17.	M/s Bharti Telenet Ltd. H-5/12, Qutub Ambiance, old Mehrauli Road New Delhi-110030	Himachal Pradesh
18.	M/s RPG Cellcom Ltd., Pratap Building, 1st Floor, N-83, Connaught Circus, New Delhi-110001	Madhya Pradesh
19.	M/s Birla Communications Ltd., Industry House, 159, Churchgate, Reclamation, Bombay-400020	Gujarat Maharashtra
20.	M/s Reliance Telecom (P) Ltd., Meridien Commercial Tower, 5th Floor, Windsor Place, Janpath, New Delhi-110001	Madhya Pradesh West Bengal Orissa Bihar North East Assam Himachal Pradesh
21.	M/s Modi Com Network (P) Ltd. 13th Floor, Hemkunt Tower, 98, Nehru Place, New Delhi-110019	Punjab Karnataka
22.	Srinivas Cellcom Ltd. 19, Cathederal Garden Road, Nungambukham, Chennai-600034.	Tamil Nadu